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Dear Sirs:

First let me say that I am a committed user of BeOS for several reasons unique to the BeOS platform -- usability, performance, elegance, etc. Most of these are personal preferences. Due to the tactics of Microsoft over the years though, I am even more of a BeOS enthusiast. I am continually frustrated by Microsoft's strongarm tactics and feel they have pushed smaller companies like Be, Inc. out of the market unfairly.

Therefore, I am part of a worldwide network that is working on getting the BeOS or equivalent back into the market place. However, there is no hope of success if the following issues aren't addressed, such as open Office file formats, Win32 APIs, making dual-boot options mandatory, etc.

Thank you for your commitment to seeing a fair and just resolution to the antitrust case against Microsoft. As a BeOS user, I feel it is my right as a consumer to use the operating system of my own choice, and I know that the DOJ's pursuit of a fair market will ensure the BeOS's existence in the future.

Regards,
Rob